

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA**

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BLACK MARKETING OF LPG CYLINDERS

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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government are aware of the black marketing of LPG cylinders by dealers in various parts of the country ;
- (b) if so, the measures being taken as well as to ensure regular distribution of LPG cylinders ; and (
- (c) the number of complaints received against the LPG agencies and the action taken thereon ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

(a) to (c) : Regular refill audit / surprise checks and investigation of complaints are carried out by the field officers of Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) to prevent black marketing of LPG cylinders by the distributors. In the event of established irregularity, action against the erring distributors is taken in terms of Marketing Discipline Guidelines / Distributorships Agreement.